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INSTALLATION: Abdulrachman Saleh Airfield

LOCATION : Central East Java

WAC NUMBER: 983

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LAT. : 07°57'S

LONG. : 112°43'E

REFERENCE:

Airplane and Seaplane Stations of the World, vol. 26, Dec 1956

REMARKS:

[REDACTED] shows one MIG-type aircraft, probably a MIG-17, at Abdulrachman Saleh Airfield, which is located six miles northeast of Malang, in east-central Java. This airfield, which is being operated by the Indonesian Air Force, has a single asphalt runway 6,600 feet by 150 feet, oriented NNW/SSE and extendible on either end. Facilities include one large hangar 240 feet square, approximately 12 storage and repair buildings adjacent to the hangar, several buildings probably used for barracks and administration, and 11 barracks, two H-shaped and nine rectangular, under construction on the south side of the field.

The MIG-type aircraft is located on a parking apron north of the large hangar. This is the first indication from photography that MIG-type aircraft are present and operational in this area. A blast scar immediately behind the airplane suggests that the engine has been run up. It is possible that the large hangar is being used to assemble MIG-type aircraft reportedly sent to Indonesia.

The only other aircraft visible on this airfield is a probable PBY, which is located on a parking apron east of the large hangar.

Further interpretation is precluded by heavy clouds which cover 50 percent of the airfield.

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